

Other Human Services

Health Care Authority

An appropriation of \$200,000 from the Health Services Account is provided for state-subsidized premium discounts for Washington State high-risk insurance pool enrollees age 50 and older who are not on Medicare, and who have family incomes between 200 percent and 300 percent of the federal poverty level. Such discounts are authorized by Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067 – Individual Health Insurance Coverage Reform). This legislation also authorizes the Health Care Authority to offer a catastrophic coverage policy in counties where no other individual insurance coverage is available. The amount of \$150,000 is provided to the Authority to design such a policy.

Basic Health Plan

The budget provides an additional \$1 million from the Health Services Account to increase enrollment in the Basic Health Plan. The additional funding is projected to be sufficient to enroll 570 additional low-income working adults beginning July 1, 2000, bringing total enrollment in the subsidized program to approximately 133,210 for fiscal year 2001.

Criminal Justice Training Commission

The amount of \$215,000 is provided from the Public Safety and Education Account for the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to conduct a study of law enforcement services and expenditures for both counties and cities, but only in counties with populations over 150,000. The study will focus on identifying potential efficiencies in service delivery, especially relating to special service units such as bomb squads, SWAT teams, and hostage rescue units.

The budget also provides \$50,000 to allow the Criminal Justice Training Commission to provide domestic violence related courses to 911 operators.

Department of Labor and Industries

Funding in the amount of \$2.8 million is provided for direct services to victims of crime. The enhancement helps offset increases in medical costs and pension costs that have constrained the Department's ability to reimburse claims.

Department of Veterans' Affairs

The budget includes \$231,000 as the state's contribution to the national World War II (WWII) memorial, which is to be constructed in Washington, D.C., beginning Veterans' Day, 2000. The funds represent \$1 for each Washington State resident who served in WWII.

Department of Health

The budget provides \$15.0 million from the Tobacco Prevention and Control Account for the first year of a multi-year effort to reduce the use of tobacco. Coordinated by the Department of Health, the plan may include community and school-based programs, cessation support, public awareness campaigns, youth access information, and assessment and evaluation activities.

A total of \$750,000 from the Health Services Account is provided to the Department of Health to continue operations of the Comprehensive Hospital Abstract Reporting System (CHARS) while reducing fees charged to local hospitals that support the system. CHARS is the primary source of morbidity data in the state.

Department of Corrections

The budget provides \$117,000 from the state general fund to implement Chapter 225, Laws of 2000 (2SSB 6255), which makes felonies of the theft or storage of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container or possession of anhydrous ammonia with intent to manufacture methamphetamine.

Based on a recent evaluation of hepatitis C treatment needs in the state's correctional system, \$1.9 million is provided for the Department of Corrections to implement a voluntary testing program and to provide medical treatment to offenders who are both infected with the hepatitis C virus and who would benefit from such treatment.

The budget also recognizes savings in the Department of Corrections which are achieved in several ways. Equipment with longer life cycles will be lease-purchased, saving approximately \$1 million. The Department has experienced hiring delays in a number of programs, generating \$3.0 million in savings. The Department has under spent its allotted number of staff in the program support area by an average of 26 staff during the first nine months of the biennium. The budget expects the Department to continue achieving savings of three administrative staff on an ongoing basis, resulting in annual savings of \$147,000.

Sentencing Guidelines Commission

The budget provides \$80,000 from the state general fund for the Sentencing Guidelines Commission to conduct a comprehensive review and evaluation of state sentencing policy. The review and evaluation will include an analysis of whether current sentencing ranges and standards, as well as existing mandatory minimum sentences, and existing sentence enhancements and special sentencing alternatives, are consistent with the purposes of the sentencing reform act and with prison capacity.

Employment Security Department

The budget provides \$2.5 million from the state Employment Service Administrative Account to implement a new training benefits program for qualified dislocated workers established in Chapter 2, Laws of 2000 (SHB 3077 - Unemployment Insurance). This program will allow dislocated workers to receive additional unemployment insurance benefits for up to 52 weeks while they are in retraining and making satisfactory progress toward completion of their training plan.

Washington State Health Care Authority

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	13,004	583,762	596,766
Total Maintenance Changes	0	0	0
Policy Changes			
1. UDP Benefit Administration	0	0	0
2. UMP Claim Admin & Operations	0	0	0
3. UMP New Enrollment Admin Costs	0	3,667	3,667
4. Insurance System Study	0	275	275
5. UMP Trend Management/Admin	0	973	973
6. Primary Care Study	0	33	33
7. Insurance Market Reform	0	159	159
8. WSHIP Premium Discounts	0	200	200
9. New Individual Market Product	0	150	150
10. BHP Enrollment Increase	0	1,000	1,000
Total Policy Changes	0	6,457	6,457
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	13,004	590,219	603,223
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	6,441	279,203	285,644
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	6,563	311,016	317,579

Comments:

- 1. UDP Benefit Administration** - The Health Care Authority (HCA) contracts with the Washington Dental Service (WDS) for the administration of the self-insured Uniform Dental Plan (UDP). The total annual value of the contract is dependent upon UDP enrollment. The 1999-2001 operating budget transferred the estimated WDS contract costs from the non-appropriated Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account to the appropriated HCA Administrative Account. The appropriation does not allow the flexibility necessary to respond to potentially large annual increases in UDP enrollment during the open enrollment period. The WDS contract costs are moved to the newly-created, non-appropriated, budgeted UDP Claims Administration Account. (HCA Account, UDP Claims Administration Account-Non-appropriated)
- 2. UMP Claim Admin & Operations** - The Uniform Medical Plan (UMP) is the state's self-insured preferred provider organization, which is administered by HCA. The 1999-2001 operating budget transferred the estimated costs of claims processing and management contracts from the non-appropriated Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account to the appropriated HCA Administrative Account. Most of these contracted costs are paid on a per subscriber, per month basis and, therefore, vary directly with changes in the total UMP membership. The appropriation does not allow the flexibility necessary to respond to potentially large shifts in enrollment between managed care plans and UMP during open enrollment periods. UMP contract expenditures for claims administration, data analysis, utilization management, and preferred provider administration are transferred from the appropriated HCA Administrative Account to a new non-appropriated, budgeted UMP Benefits Administration Account. Funding for other administrative activities, such as third-party risk adjustment, the cardiac outcomes assessment program, and new activities funded in the 1999 budget, are not transferred. (HCA Administrative Account, UMP Benefits Administration Account-Non-appropriated)
- 3. UMP New Enrollment Admin Costs** - Funding is provided for increases in non-appropriated benefit administration costs caused by enrollment growth in UMP for calendar year 2000. (UMP Benefits Administration Account-Non-appropriated)
- 4. Insurance System Study** - Funding is provided for HCA to initiate a study of their insurance systems for the Public Employees' Benefits Board and the Basic Health Plan (BHP). The study will provide direction for a possible systems redesign in the 2001-03 biennium. Total cost for the study is expected to be approximately \$275,000, of which \$164,000 is funded from the Health Services Account. It is anticipated that the Health Services Account savings that will result from a more efficient system in the 2001-03 biennium will be used in part to cover any increased administrative costs associated with implementation of the self-insured BHP program authorized by Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067). (HCA Administrative Account, Health Services Account)
- 5. UMP Trend Management/Admin** - Funding is provided for UMP to increase actuarial services in support of claims trend management, vendor contract procurement, and for a reimbursement systems specialist position to update and maintain UMP reimbursement systems. Funding is also provided for a continuation of current credentialing verification organization contracts and for testing of UMP payment systems. (HCA Administrative Account)

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6. **Primary Care Study** - Funding is provided for HCA to study, in conjunction with the Medical Assistance Administration, how public payment rates for primary health care services compare with those paid by commercial insurers; the level of publicly-funded clients that constitutes a disproportionate share of a primary care practice; and what impact such a level has on the practice's financial viability. (Health Services Account)
7. **Insurance Market Reform** - Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067), seeks to increase the availability of individual insurance coverage by providing for expanded enrollment in the Washington State Health Insurance Pool (WSHIP). The amount by which WSHIP claims exceed the premiums paid by enrollees will be covered through assessments on insurance carriers, who will in turn pass on the cost in premium increases. Funding is provided for the projected impact of these assessments on BHP. (Health Services Account)
8. **WSHIP Premium Discounts** - As authorized by Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067), funding is provided for state-subsidized premium discounts for WSHIP enrollees age fifty and older who are not on Medicare, and who have family incomes between 200 percent and 300 percent of the federal poverty level. Of the total funds provided, \$75,000 are for one-time costs associated with establishing ongoing systems for administering the premium discounts. (Health Services Account)
9. **New Individual Market Product** - As required by Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067), HCA is to design a new program that would provide catastrophic insurance coverage in counties where no other individual insurance coverage is available. The recommended product design is to be available for consideration during the budget process for the 2001-03 biennium. (Health Services Account)
10. **BHP Enrollment Increase** - Current estimates indicate that the original appropriation for BHP can support an enrollment level of 132,640 from July 2000 through June 2001. Funding is provided for the enrollment of an additional 570 adults beginning July 1, 2000. (Health Services Account)

Washington State Health Care Authority

WORKLOAD HISTORY

By Fiscal Year

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Estimate		
								1999	2000	2001
Basic Health Plan (Subsidized)	21,717	22,747	29,773	37,580	61,926	124,972	127,646	129,888	133,430	134,154
% Change from prior year		4.7%	30.9%	26.2%	64.8%	101.8%	2.1%	1.8%	2.7%	0.5%
Regular Enrollees	21,717	22,747	29,773	37,580	61,773	124,190	126,541	128,625	129,659	133,211
% Change from prior year		4.7%	30.9%	26.2%	64.4%	101.0%	1.9%	1.6%	0.8%	2.7%
Homecare Workers					153	782	1,105	1,263	1,180	1,154
% Change from prior year						411.1%	41.3%	14.3%	-6.6%	-2.2%

* State subsidy for "regular" enrollees is provided through the Health Care Authority budget. State and federal subsidy for homecare worker enrollees is provided in the DSHS Long-Term Care and Developmental Disabilities budgets.

Data Source:

FY 1992 through FY 1998 from the Health Care Authority.

FY 1999 through FY 2001 estimates from the legislative fiscal staffs.

Human Rights Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>GF-S</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
1999-01 Original Appropriations	5,086	1,574	6,660
Total Maintenance Changes	0	0	0
Policy Changes			
1. Information to Small Businesses	<u>61</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>61</u>
Total Policy Changes	61	0	61
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	5,147	1,574	6,721
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	2,567	803	3,370
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	2,580	771	3,351

Comments:

1. **Information to Small Businesses** - One-time funding is provided for the Commission to educate owners of businesses with fewer than eight employees about the recent state supreme court decision, *Roberts vs. Dudley*. (General Fund-State)

Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	0	17,607	17,607
Total Maintenance Changes	0	-102	-102
Policy Changes			
1. Domestic Violence Initiative	0	50	50
2. Law Enforcement Study	0	215	215
3. Death Investigation Training	0	110	110
Total Policy Changes	0	375	375
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	0	17,880	17,880
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	0	8,399	8,399
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	0	9,481	9,481

Comments:

1. **Domestic Violence Initiative** - Funding is provided to allow the Criminal Justice Training Commission to provide domestic violence related courses to 911 operators. (Public Safety and Education Account-State)
2. **Law Enforcement Study** - Funding is provided for the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to conduct a study of law enforcement services and expenditures for both counties and cities, but only in counties with populations over 150,000. The study will begin no later than July 1, 2000, and it must be completed by June 30, 2001. The study will focus on identifying ways of delivering service more efficiently and avoiding duplication. (Public Safety and Education Account-State)
3. **Death Investigation Training** - Funding is provided for the Criminal Justice Training Commission to expand the number classes offered to coroners, medical examiners, and other criminal justice personnel. (Death Investigations Account-State)

Department of Labor and Industries

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	14,508	403,515	418,023
Total Maintenance Changes	0	1,326	1,326
Policy Changes			
1. Increase Crime Victims Compensation	0	2,665	2,665
2. 2SSB 5802 - Telecomm Contractors	0	1,408	1,408
Total Policy Changes	0	4,073	4,073
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	14,508	408,914	423,422
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	7,268	206,512	213,780
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	7,240	202,402	209,642

Comments:

- 1. Increase Crime Victims Compensation** - Funding is provided for the increased costs in client benefits in the Crime Victims Compensation program. The additional funding assumes a benefit payout rate equivalent to that which occurred during July through December 1999, plus 3 percent growth for FY 2001. The enhancement also assumes a reduction in program administration expenditures to 18.4 percent of the total program budget. Finally, the amount provided assumes that the agency will discontinue the practice of paying for invoices received in a prior fiscal period out of appropriations from a new fiscal period. (Public Safety and Education Account-State)
- 2. 2SSB 5802 - Telecomm Contractors** - Chapter 238, Laws of 2000, Partial Veto (2SSB 5802), requires that a telecommunications contractor be licensed to install certain telecommunications systems. Permits and inspections are required for most non-residential installations. Funding is provided to the Department for licensing and regulation activities. (Electrical License Account)

Department of Veterans' Affairs

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	19,289	37,444	56,733
Total Maintenance Changes	-1,356	3,898	2,542
Policy Changes			
1. Skilled Nursing Facility Study	200	0	200
2. National World War II Memorial	231	0	231
Total Policy Changes	431	0	431
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	18,364	41,342	59,706
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	9,452	20,414	29,866
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	8,912	20,928	29,840

Comments:

1. **Skilled Nursing Facility Study** - Funding is provided to complete predesign work for a new skilled nursing facility. The predesign will include siting, program, facility, and financing plans.
2. **National World War II Memorial** - Funding is provided for Washington State's contribution to the national World War II memorial, to be constructed in the nation's capital. The contribution represents \$1 for each Washingtonian who served in the nation's armed forces during the war.

Department of Health

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	131,572	418,567	550,139
Total Maintenance Changes	0	0	0
Policy Changes			
1. Federal Salmon Recovery Funding	0	-678	-678
2. Patient Bill of Rights	141	0	141
3. Aids Prescription Drug Program	173	0	173
4. Epidemiology Health Statistics	480	0	480
5. Reduce CHARS Data Assessment	0	0	0
6. Restore HSA Funding to FY 1999 Lvl	-5,242	5,242	0
7. Tobacco Prevention & Control Plan	0	15,000	15,000
Total Policy Changes	-4,448	19,564	15,116
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	127,124	438,131	565,255
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	62,840	212,412	275,252
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	64,284	225,719	290,003

Comments:

- Federal Salmon Recovery Funding** - Excess federal appropriation authority and associated staffing are removed from the budget to reflect a lower level of federal funding for salmon recovery, as appropriated by Congress, for federal FY 2000. Federal FY 2001 funding is also adjusted to reflect lower-than-anticipated federal receipts. (General Fund-Federal)
- Patient Bill of Rights** - Funding is provided for the Department to implement its responsibilities under the provisions of Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067). (General Fund-State)
- Aids Prescription Drug Program** - Funding is provided to the Aids Prescription Drug Program for increased client costs associated with Chapter 79, Laws of 2000 (E2SSB 6067). (General Fund-State).
- Epidemiology Health Statistics** - Funding is provided to revise state birth certificate information to comply with United States Standard Birth Certificate requirements and to convert paper documents to an electronic format. (General Fund-State)
- Reduce CHARS Data Assessment** - Funding is provided to continue operations of the Comprehensive Hospital Abstract Reporting System (CHARS) while reducing fees charged to local hospitals that support the system. (Health Services Account [HSA], Hospital Commission Account)
- Restore HSA Funding to FY 1999 Lvl** - The use of HSA funding for public health services is restored to FY 1999 levels. (General Fund-State, Health Services Account)
- Tobacco Prevention & Control Plan** - Funding is provided for the Tobacco Prevention and Control Plan (TPCP). The TPCP may include community- and school-based programs, cessation support, public awareness campaigns, youth access enforcement, and assessment and evaluation activities. (Tobacco Prevention Trust Account-State)

Department of Corrections

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	930,780	45,667	976,447
Total Maintenance Changes	-17,866	13,045	-4,821
Policy Changes			
1. Equipment Savings	-1,000	0	-1,000
2. Correctional Industries	-131	3,509	3,378
3. Administrative Efficiencies	-1,532	0	-1,532
4. Hepatitis C Protocol	0	1,884	1,884
5. Mentally Ill Offender Evaluations	248	0	248
6. Welfare Betterment Account Transfer	0	2,570	2,570
7. Anhydrous Ammonia	117	0	117
8. Cost of Supervision Fund	0	0	0
Total Policy Changes	-2,298	7,963	5,665
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	910,616	66,675	977,291
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	448,915	33,166	482,081
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	461,701	33,509	495,210

Comments:

1. **Equipment Savings** - Savings are accrued by lease purchasing (rather than purchasing outright) equipment. Under this approach, costs are spread out over the life of the equipment.
2. **Correctional Industries** - Funding sufficient to meet statutorily-mandated offender employment targets and maintain the Correctional Industries program was originally assumed to come from the non-appropriated Cost of Incarceration Account. Previously, a portion of any financial contribution was subject to a mandatory deduction into this account. A court decision in the summer of 1999 has ordered the Department to stop making the deductions if the contribution is made by the spouse. The Institutional Welfare Betterment Account is used to replace the lost funding. (General Fund-State, Institutional Welfare Betterment-Non-appropriated)
3. **Administrative Efficiencies** - Funding is adjusted to more closely reflect actual expenditures. During the first nine months of the biennium, the Department of Corrections (DOC) has been expending 26 FTE staff below budgeted levels in the Administrative Services program. Funding is adjusted to reflect the savings associated with these vacancies through June 2000. Additionally, funding is adjusted on the assumption that the Department will be able to continue to achieve a portion of this level of administrative savings on an ongoing basis by providing support services at a lower cost.
4. **Hepatitis C Protocol** - Funding is provided for the voluntary testing of inmates for Hepatitis C as well as for the medical treatment of offenders who are infected with the Hepatitis C virus. (Public Health Services Account)
5. **Mentally Ill Offender Evaluations** - Funding is provided to perform mental health evaluations for offenders sentenced directly to community supervision who may have a mental health illness and present a high risk to commit violent acts. Based on the outcomes of the evaluation, DOC can require an offender to participate in mental health treatment. Approximately 4 percent of offenders under supervision, but who have not served a term of confinement in a Department facility, are expected to be evaluated.
6. **Welfare Betterment Account Transfer** - Sufficient funds in the Institutional Welfare Betterment Account are available to support the testing and treatment of offenders who have Hepatitis C. The amount of \$2.6 million is appropriated from the Institutional Welfare Betterment into the Public Health Services Account to be used for this purpose. Of this amount, \$1.9 million is appropriated in the 2000 supplemental budget. The remaining amount will be available for appropriation in the 2001-03 biennium. (Institutional Welfare Betterment Account, Public Health Services Account)
7. **Anhydrous Ammonia** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 225, Laws of 2000 (SSB 6255 - Anhydrous Ammonia), which makes theft of anhydrous ammonia, storage of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container, or possession of anhydrous ammonia with intent to manufacture methamphetamine a felony.
8. **Cost of Supervision Fund** - Sufficient funds are available in the Cost of Supervision Fund to support the replacement of DOC's Offender Based Tracking System (OBTS). Funding of \$2.3 million for OBTS is switched from the Public Safety and Education Account to the Cost of Supervision Fund. (Public Safety and Education Account-State, Cost of Supervision Fund)

Department of Corrections

WORKLOAD HISTORY

By Fiscal Year

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	Estimate	
									2000 **	2001 **
Community Supervision										
# Active (Non-Monetary) Offenders	24,603	23,226	24,987	26,458	28,700	28,961	31,173	30,973	33,269	33,874
% Change from prior year		-5.6%	7.6%	5.9%	8.5%	0.9%	7.6%	-0.6%	7.4%	1.8%
# of Monetary Only Offenders	15,297	19,068	19,726	21,291	22,284	22,997	23,208	22,979	23,120	23,539
% Change from prior year		24.7%	3.5%	7.9%	4.7%	3.2%	0.9%	-1.0%	0.6%	1.8%
Work Release										
Avg Daily Pop/Month	492	533	542	576	604	622	612	636	686	699
% Change from prior year		8.3%	1.7%	6.3%	4.9%	3.0%	-1.6%	3.9%	7.9%	1.9%
Institutions										
Avg Daily Pop/Month	8,856	9,599	9,949	10,421	11,177	11,968	12,694	13,629	13,962	14,425
% Change from prior year		8.4%	3.6%	4.7%	7.3%	7.1%	6.1%	7.4%	2.4%	3.3%
Average Cost Per Inmate *										
Annual	21,642	22,370	22,903	23,610	23,394	22,906	22,986	22,849	24,579	24,834
% Change from prior year		3.4%	2.4%	3.1%	-0.9%	-2.1%	0.3%	-0.6%	7.6%	1.0%

* Cost per offender includes institutions, pre-releases, and work-releases.

** With the enactment of Chapter 196, Laws of 1999 (E2SSB 5421), and beginning in FY 2000, the Department may contract out for the supervision of monetary only offenders.

Data Source :

Department of Corrections and legislative fiscal staff.

Sentencing Guidelines Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	1,549	0	1,549
Total Maintenance Changes	0	0	0
Policy Changes			
1. Data Entry & Verification	12	0	12
2. Sentencing Study	80	0	80
Total Policy Changes	92	0	92
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	1,641	0	1,641
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	803	0	803
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	838	0	838

Comments:

1. **Data Entry & Verification** - Funding is provided for intermittent staff to process increased workload. The additional staff will perform data entry, coding, and quality control tasks.
2. **Sentencing Study** - Funding is provided for the Sentencing Guidelines Commission to conduct a comprehensive review and evaluation of state sentencing policy. The review and evaluation will include an analysis of whether current sentencing ranges and standards, as well as existing mandatory minimum sentences, existing sentence enhancements, and special sentencing alternatives, are consistent with the purposes of the sentencing reform act as set out in statute. The study must be completed no later than December 1, 2001.

Department of Employment Security

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Original Appropriations	2,522	439,309	441,831
Total Maintenance Changes	0	-4,685	-4,685
Policy Changes			
1. Federal Reed Act Distribution	0	327	327
2. Unemployment Insurance Legislation	0	2,567	2,567
Total Policy Changes	0	2,894	2,894
1999-01 Revised Appropriations	2,522	437,518	440,040
Fiscal Year 2000 Total	1,263	221,856	223,119
Fiscal Year 2001 Total	1,259	215,662	216,921

Comments:

- Federal Reed Act Distribution** - The Social Security Act provides that certain excess funds in the Employment Security Administration Account can be distributed back to the states for unemployment insurance administrative expenses. The Department received \$327,000 in November of 1998, which will fund improvements to the Department's Tax Information System (TAXIS). (Unemployment Compensation Administration Account-Federal)
- Unemployment Insurance Legislation** - Funding is provided to implement the new training benefits program for qualified dislocated workers established in Chapter 2, Laws of 2000 (SHB 3077 - Unemployment Insurance). This program will allow dislocated workers to receive additional unemployment insurance benefits for up to 52 weeks while they are in retraining and making satisfactory progress toward completion of their training plan. (Employment Service Administrative Account-State)

Governor's Vetoes:

The Governor vetoed Section 222(4), which would have required the Employment Security Department to provide \$5 million through contracts with community-based organizations for family development or similar services.